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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA RECEIVES SPECIAL SUDANESE
ENVOY

REF: TUNIS 4809, TUNIS 5100

1. ON JULY 21, PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA RECEIVED ABDALLAH HASSAN, SPECIAL ENVOY OF SUDANESE PRESIDENT NUMEIRY AND ALSO IDENTIFIED IN TUNIS PRESS AS MEMBER OF POLITICAL BUREAU OF SUDANESE SOCIALIST UNION AND MINISTER OF PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS. AFTER HIS MEETING WITH BOURGUIBA, HASSAN TOLD PRESS THAT HE HAD DELIVERED A MESSAGE CONCERNING THE "FOREIGN INVASION LED BY MERCENARIES TRAINED AND ARMED BY LIBYA WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF SUDANESE REVISIONISTS." (ARABIC PRESS ACCOUNT OF HASSAN'S STATEMENTS USED WORD "REACTIONARIES" IN PLACE OF "REVISIONISTS.") HASSAN SAID MERCENARIES LEARNED A LESSON THEY WILL NOT SOON FORGET AND ADDED THAT "THIS CRIMINAL ACT WILL NOT REMAIN UNPUNISHED."

2. GOT HAS PERCEIVED INCREASED THREATS TO ITS OWN
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SECURITY FROM LIBYA (SEE REFTELS) AND HAS UNDOUBTEDLY

STEPPED UP ITS COORDINATION WITH OTHER STATES BORDERING
ON LIBYA. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION HOWEVER ON ANY PLANS
THAT MAY BE AFOOT TO "PUNISH CRIMINAL ACTS," BU T
TUNISIA WOULD PROBABLY WELCOME MOVES EGYPT
AND SUDAN MIGHT BE CONTEMPLATING TO OCCUPY QADHAFI'S
ATTENTION, AND THUS DIVERT LIBYA'S INTEREST FROM TUNISIA.

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